EST Writing & Language Practice

30 Questions on Dangling and Misplaced Modifiers (اختبارات EST في التعديلات المعلقة والمغلوطة)

تعليمات الاختبار (Instructions):

اختر الإجابة الصحيحة التي تعالج خطأ المصرّف المعلق (Dangling Modifier) أو المصرّف غير الصائب موقعه (Misplaced Modifier) لتصبح الجملة واضحة وذات بناء لغوي سليم وفق قواعد اختبار EST.

Question 1

Having finished the assignment early, the television was turned on to watch the game.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Having finished the assignment early, the game was watched on television.

C) Having finished the assignment early, Mark turned on the television to watch the game.

D) Turning on the television after finishing the assignment early, the game was watched.

Question 2

Covered in thick mud, Sara washed her dog after its playdate in the park.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Sara washed her dog, covered in thick mud, after its playdate in the park.

C) Covering in thick mud, Sara washed her dog after playing in the park.

D) Sara, covered in thick mud, washed her dog in the park.

Question 3

To excel in the upcoming examination, consistent daily revision is required.

A) NO CHANGE

B) To excel in the upcoming examination, students must revise consistently every day.

C) Exceling in the upcoming examination requires students consistent revision.

D) Revision should be made consistently by students to excel in the upcoming examination.

Question 4

She served hamburgers to the children **on paper plates**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) She served paper plates to the children with hamburgers.

C) On paper plates, the children were served hamburgers.

D) She served the children hamburgers on paper plates.

Question 5

Walking down the narrow alleyway, the ancient castle appeared magnificent.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Walking down the narrow alleyway, the tourists admired the magnificent ancient castle.

C) The ancient castle appeared magnificent walking down the narrow alleyway.

D) While walking down the narrow alleyway, the appearance of the castle was magnificent.

Question 6

The librarian found a torn manuscript **searching through the archived boxes**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Searching through the archived boxes, a torn manuscript was found by the librarian.

C) While searching through the archived boxes, the librarian found a torn manuscript.

D) The librarian found searching through the archived boxes a torn manuscript.

Question 7

While cooking dinner, the smoke detector suddenly went off.

A) NO CHANGE

B) While cooking dinner, Chef Ramsay noticed the smoke detector going off.

C) While cooking dinner, the kitchen filled with smoke from the detector.

D) Cooking dinner, the smoke detector went off suddenly.

Question 8

The athlete **nearly sprinted for three hours** without taking a single break.

A) NO CHANGE

B) The athlete sprinted nearly for three hours without taking a break.

C) The athlete sprinted for nearly three hours without taking a break.

D) Nearly sprinting for three hours, no break was taken by the athlete.

Question 9

Exhausted from the long hike, a quick nap was taken by the campers before sunset.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Exhausted from the long hike, sunset approached while the campers slept.

C) Exhausted from the long hike, the campers took a quick nap before sunset.

D) Taking a quick nap before sunset, the long hike was exhausting for the campers.

Question 10

We spotted a rare species of eagle **driving through the mountain pass**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) While driving through the mountain pass, a rare species of eagle was spotted by us.

C) Driving through the mountain pass, we spotted a rare species of eagle.

D) Spotting a rare species of eagle, the mountain pass was driven through by us.

Question 11

Built in the early 19th century, the museum holds thousands of historical artifacts.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Built in the early 19th century, historians preserve thousands of artifacts in the museum.

C) Building in the early 19th century, the museum contains artifacts.

D) Built in the early 19th century, thousands of historical artifacts are in the museum.

Question 12

The professor handed back the graded papers **to the students with red marks**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) The professor handed back the graded papers with red marks to the students.

C) With red marks, the students were handed back the graded papers by the professor.

D) The professor handed the students back the graded papers having red marks on them.

Question 13

By reducing daily energy consumption, environmental protection goals can be met.

A) NO CHANGE

B) By reducing daily energy consumption, citizens can help meet environmental protection goals.

C) Environmental protection goals can be met by citizens reducing daily energy consumption.

D) By reducing daily energy consumption, meeting environmental protection goals happens.

Question 14

Glancing at the clock, the deadline was clearly approaching faster than expected.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Glancing at the clock, the manager realized the deadline was approaching faster than expected.

C) The deadline was clearly approaching faster than expected glancing at the clock.

D) While glancing at the clock, time seemed to run faster toward the deadline.

Question 15

The detective saw the suspect **enter the abandoned warehouse through binoculars**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Through binoculars, the suspect was seen entering the abandoned warehouse by the detective.

C) Using binoculars, the detective saw the suspect enter the abandoned warehouse.

D) The detective saw the suspect using binoculars enter the abandoned warehouse.

Question 16

To obtain a driver's license, a written exam must be passed first.

A) NO CHANGE

B) To obtain a driver's license, applicants must first pass a written exam.

C) Passing a written exam must happen first to obtain a driver's license.

D) To obtain a driver's license, the department requires a written exam.

Question 17

Wrapped in colorful foil, the children eagerly devoured the sweet chocolates.

A) NO CHANGE

B) The children eagerly devoured the sweet chocolates wrapped in colorful foil.

C) Wrapping in colorful foil, the sweet chocolates were devoured by the children.

D) Wrapped in colorful foil, devouring the sweet chocolates was easy for the children.

Question 18

The team **only earned a trophy after winning** five consecutive matches in the finals.

A) NO CHANGE

B) The team earned a trophy only after winning five consecutive matches in the finals.

C) Only winning five consecutive matches in the finals, the team earned a trophy.

D) The team earned only a trophy after winning five consecutive matches in the finals.

Question 19

Hoping to secure a promotion, a detailed performance report was submitted by the analyst.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Hoping to secure a promotion, the analyst submitted a detailed performance report.

C) Submitting a detailed performance report, a promotion was hoped for by the analyst.

D) Hoping to secure a promotion, submission of a detailed performance report occurred.

Question 20

Soaring through the cloudy sky, **the pilot watched the majestic eagle**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Soaring through the cloudy sky, the eagle was watched by the pilot.

C) The pilot watched the majestic eagle soaring through the cloudy sky.

D) Watching from the aircraft, soaring through the cloudy sky was the eagle.

Question 21

As a young boy, David's grandfather taught him how to play chess.

A) NO CHANGE

B) When David was a young boy, his grandfather taught him how to play chess.

C) As a young boy, chess was taught to David by his grandfather.

D) Being a young boy, David was taught by his grandfather playing chess.

Question 22

The researcher documented the results **wearing protective lab gear**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Wearing protective lab gear, the results were documented by the researcher.

C) Wearing protective lab gear, the researcher documented the results.

D) Documenting the results, protective lab gear was worn.

Question 23

Tired and overwhelmed, the mountain trail seemed endless to the hikers.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Tired and overwhelmed, the hikers felt the mountain trail was endless.

C) Feeling tired and overwhelmed, the mountain trail went on endlessly.

D) The mountain trail seemed endless tired and overwhelmed.

Question 24

She bought a shiny sports car from a dealership **with a red convertible top**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) From a dealership, she bought a shiny sports car with a red convertible top.

C) She bought a shiny sports car with a red convertible top from a dealership.

D) With a red convertible top, she bought a shiny sports car from a dealership.

Question 25

After reading the insightful novel, many questions remained unanswered for the student.

A) NO CHANGE

B) After reading the insightful novel, the student still had many unanswered questions.

C) Reading the insightful novel, unanswered questions remained.

D) After the insightful novel was read, questions remained for the student.

Question 26

Stepping onto the stage, applause erupted throughout the auditorium.

A) NO CHANGE

B) As the pianist stepped onto the stage, applause erupted throughout the auditorium.

C) Stepping onto the stage, the auditorium erupted in applause.

D) Stepping onto the stage, applause was heard everywhere.

Question 27

The family witnessed a pod of dolphins **vacationing along the coast**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) While vacationing along the coast, the family witnessed a pod of dolphins.

C) Vacationing along the coast, a pod of dolphins was witnessed by the family.

D) A pod of dolphins was seen by the family vacationing along the coast.

Question 28

To maintain proper nutrition, fresh fruits and vegetables should be consumed daily.

A) NO CHANGE

B) To maintain proper nutrition, individuals should consume fresh fruits and vegetables daily.

C) Proper nutrition maintaining, daily fresh fruits and vegetables are needed.

D) Consuming fresh fruits and vegetables daily, proper nutrition is maintained.

Question 29

The waiter served a steaming bowl of soup to the guest **spiced with rare herbs**.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Spiced with rare herbs, the waiter served a steaming bowl of soup to the guest.

C) The waiter served the guest a steaming bowl of soup spiced with rare herbs.

D) To the guest, a steaming bowl of soup was served by the waiter spiced with rare herbs.

Question 30

Equipped with state-of-the-art sensors, the satellite gathered crucial climate data.

A) NO CHANGE

B) Equipped with state-of-the-art sensors, crucial climate data was gathered by the satellite.

C) Gathering crucial climate data, state-of-the-art sensors equipped the satellite.

D) Equipped with state-of-the-art sensors, climate researchers gathered crucial data.

مفتاح الإجابات والشرائح التفسيرية (Answer Key & Explanations)

C1. Correct Answer:

التفسير: العبارة التمهيدية "Having finished..." تتطلب فاعلاً عاقلاً يقوم بالفعل فور العبارة. التلفاز لا ينهي الواجب، بل هو من قام بذلك "Mark".

B2. Correct Answer:

التفسير: العبارة "Covered in thick mud" تصف الكلب (dog) وليس سارة. لذلك يجب أن توضع بجانب الكلب لمنع اللبس.

B3. Correct Answer:

التفسير: صيغة المصدر "To excel..." تتطلب وجود من يقوم بالتفوق مباشرة بعدها، وهُم الطلاب (students) وليس المراجعة (revision).

D4. Correct Answer:

التفسير: العبارة "on paper plates" كانت تعدل "children" بشكل خاطئ (الأطفال ليسوا على الأطباق). الصحيح وضعها بعد "hamburgers".

B5. Correct Answer:

التفسير: القلعة (castle) لا تسير في الممر! يجب أن تبدأ الجملة الرئيسية بـ "the tourists" الذين يقومون بالسير.

C6. Correct Answer:

التفسير:وتأتي في البداية أو بأسلوب ربط واضح لتجنب (librarian) يجب أن تصف أمين المكتبة "searching through..." وصف المخطوطة.

B7. Correct Answer:

التفسير: جهاز إنذار الدخان لا يطبخ العشاء! يجب أن يلتقي الوصف مع شخص (Chef Ramsay).

C8. Correct Answer:

التفسير: الظرف "nearly" يحدد المدة الزمنية "three hours" (تقريباً 3 ساعات)، وليس الفعل "sprinted".

C9. Correct Answer:

التفسير:.(nap) وليس القيلولة (campers) تصف المخيمين "Exhausted..."

C10. Correct Answer:

التفسير: النسر لا يقود السيارة عبر الجبل! "Driving through..." تعود على الضمير "we".

11. Correct Answer: A (NO CHANGE)

التفسير: الجملة صحيحة تماماً. المتحف (museum) هو الذي بني في القرن 19، وهو الفاعل المباشر بعد الفاصلة.

12. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: العلامات الحمراء (red marks) توجد على الأوراق (papers) وليس على الطلاب.

13. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: تقليل استهلاك الطاقة يتطلب فاعلاً يستطيع القيام بذلك (citizens).

14. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: الموعد النهائي (deadline) لا ينظر إلى الساعة! المدير (manager) هو من ينظر.

15. Correct Answer: C

التفسير: المحقق هو من يستخدم المنظار (binoculars)، والموقع الصحيح ينفي أن يكون المشتبه به هو من يدخل المنظار.

16. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: المتقدمون (applicants) هم من يحصلون على رخصة القيادة بعد اجتياز الاختبار.

17. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: الشوكولاتة هي المغلفة بالرقائق الملونة، وليس الأطفال.

18. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: كلمة "only" يجب أن توضع مباشرة قبل العبارة التي تحدد الشرط الزمني "after winning...".

19. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: المحلل (analyst) هو من يأمل في الحصول على الترقية.

20. Correct Answer: C

التفسير: النسر (eagle) هو من يحلق في السماء. إعادة الصياغة في C تجعل الوصف ملاصقاً للنسر.

21. Correct Answer: B

التفسير: العبارة الأصلية توحي بأن الجد كان طفلاً صغيراً عندما علم ديفيد. التعديل في B يوضح السن المطلوب.

22. Correct Answer: C

التفسير: الباحث (researcher) هو من يرتدي ملابس المعمل الواقية.

B23. Correct Answer:

التفسير: المتنزهون (hikers) هم من شعروا بالتعب والإرهاق وليس الطريق الجبلي.

C24. Correct Answer:

التفسير: السقف السقف المكشوف (red convertible top) خاص بالسيارة وليس بمعرض السيارات.

B25. Correct Answer:

التفسير: الطالب (student) هو من قرأ الرواية ذات الأفكار العميقة.

B26. Correct Answer:

التفسير: التصفيق لا يخطو على المسرح. B توضح أن عازف البيانو هو من صعد للمسرح.

B27. Correct Answer:

التفسير: العائلة هي التي تقضي العطلة على الساحل وليس الدلافين.

B28. Correct Answer:

التفسير: الأفراد (individuals) هم من يسعون للحفاظ على التغذية السليمة.

C29. Correct Answer:

التفسير: الحساء هو المتبل بالأعشاب النادرة وليس الضيف.

A (NO CHANGE)30. Correct Answer:

التفسير: الجملة صحيحة. القمر الصناعي (satellite) هو المجهز بأجهزة الاستشعار الحديثة.